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ABSTRACT

Noting the deteriorating quality of life for children in America, this book suggests ways adults can help improve the lives of children. The major portion of the book provides chapters elaborating on each of 31 suggestions: (1) "Turn Off the Tube"; (2) "Champion Public Education"; (3) "Have Fun with a Kid"; (4) "Adopt a Child-Care Center"; (5) "Fight Childhood Poverty"; (6) "Defend the Children's Safety Net"; (7) "Help a Child Avoid Having a Child"; (8) "Do Something about Child Abuse"; (9) "Include Children with Disabilities"; (10) "Keep a Child's Creative Spirit Alive"; (11) "Feed a Hungry Child"; (12) "Hire a Youth"; (13) "Make Your Company Child-Friendly"; (14) "Unlearn Prejudice: They're All Our Children"; (15) "Stop Cigarette Ads from Killing Our Kids"; (16) "Just Say No to the Liquor Lobby"; (17) "Help a Kid Kick Drugs"; (18) "Make Children's Health Care a Right"; (19) "Understand Why Kids Run Away"; (20) "Bring Young and Old Together"; (21) "Make Your Neighborhood Safe for Kids"; (22) "Lobby for Kids at Budget Time"; (23) "Fight for Car Seats, Helmets, and Smoke Detectors"; (24) "Face the Fact that Children Get AIDS"; (25) "Get a Kid out of Jail and into College"; (26) "Befriend a Homeless Family"; (27) "Promote a Children's Bill of Rights"; (28) "Reach Out to a Child in Foster Care"; (29) "Empower Kids to Save the Earth"; (30) "Support Real Family Values"; and (31) "Make Your Vote Count for Kids." The remaining portion of the book offers advice on how to be most effective when working on behalf of children as a volunteer, resource donor, or child advocate. Each chapter includes a list of resources. (TJQ)

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